



NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

AUGUST, 2014

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING DATE:

Closed

LABOR DAY Monday September 1, 2014

Remember, <u>NO</u> trash will be picked up on the days City Hall will be closed. For those whose normal trash day is

Monday - there will be a <u>CURBSIDE ONLY</u> pickup on Wednesday, September 3, 2014.

REMEMBER - SCHOOL HAS STARTED AGAIN!

Please stay alert to children walking to and from area schools.

Pay particular attention to the school crosswalks. The crossing guards are public safety employees and work under the supervision of the Chief of Police. Motor

vehicles and pedestrians are required to follow the directions of a crossing guard. Failure to follow such direction is subject to traffic laws and may result in conviction or fines.

CITY STORM SHELTERS TO BE PERMANENTLY CLOSED

All storm shelters in Warr Acres will be permanently closed effective January 1, 2015. City office buildings do **NOT** meet the standards set by FEMA (Federal Emergency management Agency) and will be **LOCKED** during a tornado warning.

City officials suggest that people take shelter where they are when bad weather is approaching and have a personal emergency operations plan that they have practiced.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY



- A social neighborhood is a safe neighborhood
- Know your neighbors. Become familiar with the three homes in front of you and the two on either side.
- Report crime call 911 to report all suspicious activity (NEVER approach a suspicious person)
- <u>Be social</u> host social events (a social neighborhood is a safe neighborhood)
- Work together develop a method of notifying fellow neighbors of suspicious activity.



Don't get frustrated with the 911 Dispatcher when more details are requested after the basics are given. This does **NOT** mean an officer has not yet been sent. The first information you give the 911 call taker is dispatched over the police radio **as soon as the information is given**.

Helpful Phone Numbers

City Hall	789-2892
Fax	787-5432
Police Department	789-3329
Fire Department	789-5912
Animal Control	789-9025
Municipal Court	495-3032
Inspections & Permits	789-2892
Sanitation Department	491-6474
Streets & Parks	787-1404
Sewer Department	491-6478
Community Center	789-9892
Putnam City Schools	495-5200

City Council Members

Mayor

Patrick Woolley 409-4944

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Ward 1	Ward 3
Cathy Maxey	Roger Godwin
722-1045	473-2881
James Mickley	Bill McClure
721-7959	787-5374
Ward 2	Ward 4
Stephen Fuhrman	Glen Lipinski
537-5415	789-8640
Stewart Shapiro	Donnie Ryan
721-8230	831-6483

Storm Shelters

HAVE A SAFETY PLAN:

- Have a safety plan for wherever you might be when a tornado strikes – School, work, church, home, shopping, etc.
- Think through your plan in advance, since there may not be much time to act once the tornado is approaching you.
- Practice your plan and be sure all family members know what to do.
- City offices are **LOCKED** during a **tornado warning**.

Recycling

Recycling takes place at Dorothy Cavener Park ((NW 52nd and Hammond Ave) on the first Saturday (9-3) and Sunday (1-3) of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed if over 90°



E-BILL MEANS NO PAPER BILL

Please be aware that if you sign up for E-Bill on the website, you will receive **NO** paper bill or newsletter in the mail. Your bill will be transmitted **ONLY** via the internet to your email address.

FIRE ESCAPE PLANNING



FEMA advises that in the event of a fire, remember that **EVERY SECOND COUNTS**, so you and your family must always be prepared. Escape plans help you get out of your home quickly. In less than 30 seconds, a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire.

PREPARE and **PRACTICE** your fire escape plan twice a year with everyone in your household, including children and people with disabilities. Some tips to consider when preparing your escape include:

- Draw a map of your home and show all doors and windows. Find two ways to get out of each room. Make sure all doors and windows that lead outside open easily.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you cannot help them.
- Have a plan for everyone in your home who has a disability.
- Practice your fire escape plan at night and during the daytime.

REMEMBER, in the event of a fire:

- 1. IMMEDIATELY leave the home.
- 2. NEVER open doors that are hot to the touch.
- 3. DESIGNATE a meeting place outside and take attendance.
- 4. ONCE OUT, STAY OUT! Never go back into a burning building for any reason.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR RECYCLING!



Once again I am asking for your help with recycle duties. If you can volunteer for a few hours on the first <u>FULL</u> weekend of the month - Saturday 9 AM until 3 PM, or Sunday afternoon 1PM until 3 PM, it would be most helpful. We go home when the thermometer hits 90 degrees in the summer. In winter, recycling will be cancelled during inclement weather.

If you need more information or have questions, please contact Von at 405/720-2949.



WARR ACRES RECYCLING OCCURS ON THE <u>FIRST FULL WEEKEND</u> OF EACH MONTH AND ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING clean and sorted items for recycle:

PLASTICS 1 and 2

Within the recycle symbol on the bottom of the item is a number, we can only accept the items with a 1 or 2 in the triangle. This eliminates most yogurt, apple sauce and butter containers. Please check your items before you bring them.

ALUMINUM CANS, NO foil or pie pans

Tin Cans (note we collect labels from Campbells for education, Boxtops for education and ConAgra labels to feed hungry children.

GLASS, Clear, Brown and Green

<u>PHONE BOOKS, STYRO-FOAM, & PLASTIC BAGS</u> are accepted at Goodwill (50th and MacArthur). They accept these recycle items at the same door (in the alley) as all of their donations.

<u>PAPER</u> is collected in the green Abiti dumpster behind City Hall

<u>CARDBOARD</u>: Waste Management has a drop-off at 5600 NW 4th, 1.5 blocks east of Mac Arthur on NW 4th Party Galaxy in Brixton Square has a cardboard dumpster behind the building

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